

'Tis you must dig with Mattocke, and with Spade,
And pierce the inmost Center of the earth:
Then when you come to *Pluto's* Region,
I pray you deliver him this petition,
Tell him it is for iustice, and for aid;
And that it comes from old *Andronicus*,
Shaken with sorrowes in vngatefull Rome,
Ah Rome! Well, well, I made thee miserable,
What time I threw the peoples suffrages
On him that thus doth tyrannize o're me.
Goe get you gone, and pray be carefull all,
And leave you not a man of warre vnsleacht,
This wicked Emperour may haue ship't her hence,
And kinsmen then we may goe pipe for iustice.

Marc. O *Publius* is not this a heauie case
To see thy Noble Vnckle thus distract?

Publ. Therefore my Lords it highly vs concerns,
By day and night attend him carefully:
And feede his humour kindly as we may,
Till time beget some carefull remedie.

Marc. Kinsmen, his sorrowes are past remedie.
Ioyne with the Gothes, and with reuengefull warre,
Take wreake on Rome for this ingratitude,
And vengeance on the Traytor *Saturnine*.

Tit. *Publius* how now? how now my Maisters?
What haue you met with her?

Publ. No my good Lord, but *Philo* sends you word,
If you will haue reuenge from hell you shall,
Marrie for iustice she is so imploy'd,
He thinkes with *Ioue* in heauen, or some where else:
So that perforce you must needs stay a time.

Tit. He doth me wrong to feed me with delays,
He diue into the burning Lake below,
And pull her out of *Aeolon* by the heeles.
Marcus we are but shrubs, no Cedars we,
No big-bon'd-men, fram'd of the Cyclops size,
But mettall *Marcus* steele to the very backe,
Yet wrung with wrongs more then our backe can beare:
And fish there's no iustice in earth nor hell,
We will sollicite heauen, and moue the Gods
To send downe Iustice for to wreake our wrongs:
Come to this gear, you are a good Archer *Marcus*.

He giues them the Arrowes.
Ad Iouem, that's for you: here *ad Appollonem*,
Ad Martem, that's for my selfe,
Heere Boy to *Pallas*, heere to *Mercuri*,
To *Saturnine*, to *Caius*, not to *Saturnine*,
You were as good to shoote against the winde,
Too it Boy, *Marcus* loose when I bid:
Of my word, I haue written to effect,
There's not a God left vnfollicited.

Marc. Kinsmen, shoot all your shafts into the Court,
We will afflict the Emperour in his pride.

Tit. Now Maisters draw, Oh well said *Lucius*:
Good Boy in *Virgo's* lap, giue it *Pallas*.

Marc. My Lord, I aime a Mile beyond the Moone,
Your letter is with *Iupiter* by this.

Tit. Ha, ha, *Publius*, *Publius*, what hast thou done?
See, see, thou hast shot off one of *Tamur's* hornes.

Marc. This was the sport my Lord, when *Publius* shot,
The Bull being gal'd, gaue *Aries* such a knocke,
That downe fell both the Rams hornes in the Court,
And who should finde them but the Emperesse villaine:
She laugh't, and told the Moore he should not choose
But giue them to his Maister for a present.

Tit. Why there it goes, God giue your Lordship ioy.

Enter the Clowne with a basket and two Pigeons in it.
Titus. Newes, newes, from heauen,
Marcus the post is come.

Sirrah, what tydings? haue you any letters?
Shall I haue iustice, what sayes *Iupiter*?

Clowne. Ho the libbetmaker, he sayes that he hath tak-
ken them downe againe, for the man must not be hang'd
till the next weeke.

Tit. But what sayes *Iupiter* I aske thee?

Clowne. Alas sir I know not *Iupiter*:
I neuer dranke with him in all my life.

Tit. Why villaine art not thou the Carrier?

Clowne. I of my Pigeons sir, nothing else.

Tit. Why, didst thou not come from heauen?

Clowne. From heauen? Alas sir, I neuer came there,
God forbid I should be so bold, to presse to heauen in my
young dayes. Why I am going with my pigeons to the
Tribunall Plebs, to take vp a matter of brawle, betwixt
my Vnckle, and one of the Emperials men.

Marc. Why sir, that is as fit as can be to serue for your
Oration, and let him deliuer the Pigeons to the Emperour
from you.

Tit. Tell mee, can you deliuer an Oration to the Em-
perour with a Grace?

Clowne. Nay truly sir, I could neuer say grace in all
my life.

Tit. Sirrah come hither, make no more ado,
But giue your Pigeons to the Emperour,
By me thou shalt haue Iustice at his hands.
Hold, hold, meane while her's money for thy charges,
Giue me pen and inke.

Sirrah, can you with a Grace deliuer a Supplication?

Clowne. I sir

Titus. Then here is a Supplication for you, and when
you come to him, at the first approach you must kneele,
then kisse his foote, then deliuer vp your Pigeons, and
then looke for your reward. He be at hand sir, see you do
it brauely.

Clowne. I warrant you sir, let me alone.

Tit. Sirrah hast thou a knife? Come let me see it,
Heere *Marcus*, fold it in the Oration,
For thou hast made it like an humble Suppliant:
And when thou hast giuen it the Emperour,
Knocke at my doore, and tell me what he sayes.

Clowne. God be with you sir, I will.

Tit. Come *Marcus* let vs goe, *Publius* follow me.

*Enter Emperour and Emperesse, and her two sonnes, the
Emperour brings the Arrowes in his hand
that Titus shot at him.*

Satur. Why Lords,
What wrongs are these? was euer seene
An Emperour in Rome thus ouerborne,
Troubled, Confronted thus, and for the extent
Of egall iustice, v'd in such contempt?
My Lords, you know the mightfull Gods,
(How euer these disturbers of our peace
Buz in the peoples eares) there nought hath past,
But euen with law against the willfull Sonnes
Of old *Andronicus*. And what and if
His sorrowes haue so ouerwhelm'd his wits,
Shall we be thus afflicted in his wreakes,
His fits, his frenzie, and his bitternesse?
And now he writes to heauen for his redresse.
See, heeres to *Ioue*, and this to *Mercuri*,

This

This to *Apollo*, this to the God of warre:
Sweet scrowles to flie about the streets of Rome:
What's this but Libelling against the Senate?
And blazoning out Iniustice every where?
A goodly humour, is it not my Lords?
As who would say, in Rome no Iustice were:
But if I liue, his fained extasies
Shall be no shelter to these outrages:
But he and his shall know, that Iustice liues:
In *Saturninus* health; whom if he sleepe,
Hee'l so awake, as he in fury shall:
Cut off the proud, fit Conspirator that liues.
Tam. My gracious Lord, my louely *Saturnine*,
Lord of my life, Commande of my thoughts,
Calme thee, and beare the faults of *Titus* age,
The effects of sorrow for his valiant Sonnes,
Whose losse hath pierc'd him deepe, and fear'd his heart:
And rather comfort his distressed plight,
Then prosecute the meaneest or the best
For these contempts. Why thus it shall become
High witted *Tamora* to glose with all:
But *Titus*, I haue touch'd thee to the quicke,
Thy life blood out: If *Aaron* now be wife,
Then is all safe, the Anchor's in the Port.

Enter Clowne.
How now good fellow, wouldst thou speake with vs?

Clow. Yea forsooth, and your Mister ship be Emperiall.

Tam. Emperesse I am, but yonder sits the Emperour.

Clow. 'Tis he; God & Saint Stephen giue you good den;
I haue brought you a Letter, & a couple of Pigeons heere.

He reads the Letter.
Satur. Goe take him away, and hang him presently.

Clowne. How much money must I haue?

Tam. Come sirrah you must be hang'd.

Clow. Hang'd? ber Lady, then I haue brought vp a neck
to a faire end.

Satur. Despightfull and intollerable wrongs,
Shall I endure this monstrous villany?
I know from whence this fame deuile proceedes:
May this be borne? As if his traytrous Sonnes,
That dy'd by law for murder of our Brother,
Haue by my meanes beene butcher'd wrongfully?
Goe dragge the villaine hither by the haire,
Nor Age, nor Honour, shall shape priuiledge:
For this proud mocke, he be thy slaughter man:
Sly franticke wretch, that holp't to make me great,
In hope thy selfe should gouerne Rome and me.

Enter Nuntius Emilius.
Satur. What newes with thee *Emilius*?

Emil. Arme my Lords, Rome neuer had more cause,
The Gothes haue gather'd head, and with a power
Of high resolu'd men, bent to the spoyle:
They hither march amaine, vnder conduct
Of *Lucius*, Sonne to old *Andronicus*:
Who threats in course of this reuenge to do
As much as euer *Coriolanus* did.

King. Is warlike *Lucius* Generall of the Gothes?
These tydings nip me, and I hang the head
As flowers with frost, or grasse beat downe with stormes:
I now begins our sorrowes to approach,
'Tis he the common people loue so much,
My selfe hath often heard them say,
(When I haue walked like a priuate man)
That *Lucius* banishment was wrongfully,
And they haue wisht that *Lucius* were their Emperour.

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